

Torrance, California
November 9, 1949

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF TORRANCE

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, November 9, 1949, in the Council Chamber of the City Hall at 8:08 p.m. In the absence of Mayor Sherfey, Councilman Powell moved that Councilman Jackson take the chair. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll, those responding being: COUNCILMEN: Drale, Haggard, Powell and Jackson. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Sherfey. Also present were City Manager Stevens and City Attorney Smith.

All persons present participated in the salute to our Flag.

As first order of business, Councilman Haggard moved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 11th, Special Meeting of October 18th, Regular Meeting of October 25th and Special Meeting of October 28th be approved as read. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

Mayor pro tem Jackson announced the time had come to open bids for the opening of Crenshaw Boulevard, and Clerk Bartlett opened and read the following bids:

McClain Construction Company	\$ 12,731.60
Oswald Bros. Co.	13,390.00
Kyle O. Mayes	13,899.00
S & M Company	10,573.00
J. A. Cook & R. A. Cook	12,203.00
Warren-Southwest, Inc.	10,238.00
H. B. Adair Construction Co.	15,283.00
Griffith Company	12,931.40
Pacific Coast Paving Co.	14,131.00
J. F. Schmidt	11,035.00

Councilman Drale moved the award of contract be made to Warren-Southwest. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Drale, Haggard, Powell and Jackson. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Sherfey.

As next order of business, Mayor pro tem Jackson announced the time had come for the hearing on Planning Commission Case No. 178:

"Proposed Change of Zone as follows: From the southeasterly corner of Hollywood Riviera North to Pacific Coast Highway, thence in an easterly direction along the center line of said highway to the westerly line of Meadow Park Tract, thence North to the center line of Sepulveda Blvd., thence East to the center line of Hawthorne Blvd., thence South to the center line of Lomita Blvd., thence East to the easterly boundary line of Meadow Park Tract, thence South to the North boundary line of the City of Palos Verdes, thence along the South boundary line of the City of Torrance to the point of beginning."

No written protests having been received, oral protests were called for. The only protest was made by J. C. Freeland, 3921 W. 242nd St., who requested that his property remain A-1. Discussion followed, with Mr. Lloyd, Planning Engineer, presenting a map showing the proposed change. Messrs. Stagner, Olding and Hoyt, all residents of the area under discussion, urged the Council to accept the change as proposed. Councilman Haggard moved the Council concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Haggard, Powell and Jackson. NAYS: COUNCILMAN: Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Sherfey.

Mayor pro tem Jackson announced the time had come for the third and final hearing on the vacation proposed by Resolution No. 2008, as follows:

"All of that East and West alley as shown on Map of Tract No. 8198, recorded in Book 140, Page 5 of Maps in the office of the County Recorder, County of Los Angeles, California, being bounded on the North by Lot 22 of said Tract, on the East by the prolongation of the Westerly line of the North and South alley in said Tract, on the South by Lots 23 and 24 of said Tract and on the West by the prolongation of the Easterly line of Manhattan Place."

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There being no protests, oral or written, Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 490

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE VACATING A CERTAIN ALLEY IN TRACT NO.
8198.

Councilman Powell moved further reading of the ordinance be dispensed with. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Powell moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 490 for its first reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read by Clerk Bartlett:

Letter from the Board of Education commending swimming pool committee for their progress and urging procurement of a site. Matter of record.

Letter from General Pacific Corp. bidding on second grade of fire hose. On motion of Councilman Haggard, seconded by Councilman Powell and unanimously carried, communication was ordered filed as a matter of record.

Request from Harbor Section of L.A. Girl Scout Council for use of the Auditorium January 18, 1950. Councilman Powell moved request be granted. Motion, seconded by Councilman Draile, carried unanimously.

Communication from Messrs. Biller and Iwata, of Ocean Ave. in WALTERIA, requesting aid in sewer problem. Councilman Draile moved matter be referred to City Engineer for further study and report at next meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

Request from Torrance School District for use of Auditorium on November 26th, free of charge. Councilman Powell moved the request be granted, if concurred in by Teen-Age Group Leader. Motion, seconded by Councilman Draile, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Request from First Baptist Church, Torrance, that Hammerton Tract Community Church be permitted use of the Auditorium free of charge on December 6th to show moving picture "The Voice of the Deep". Councilman Powell moved request be granted. Motion, seconded by Councilman Draile, carried unanimously.

Letter from Charles M. Searles, dba Mathews Advertising Company, requesting permission to donate trash cans to the City in return for permission to solicit advertising to be painted on the cans. Councilman Powell moved the matter be referred to the City Manager, City Attorney and Commissioner of Streets for a report back at the next meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Draile, carried unanimously.

Recommendation by the Chamber of Commerce for direct thoroughfares to serve Seaside Ranchos and Hollywood Riviera, and central Torrance. Matter filed for record on motion of Councilman Draile, seconded by Councilman Powell and unanimously carried.

Opinion from City Attorney re request of Optimist Club for refund of gate receipt percentage paid by them. Filed as matter of record on motion of Councilman Draile, seconded by Councilman Powell and unanimously carried.

Request from Planning Commission for payment of \$10.00 per meeting to cover expenses of investigations, etc. Councilman Powell moved the matter be referred to City Manager for study as to budget condition, together with the City Attorney and a member of the Finance Committee for report at next meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously.

Letter from J. R. Gleason reporting broken pavement, curbs, etc., on certain streets. Councilman Drale moved the matter be referred to the Commissioner of Streets and City Engineer. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

At 9:08 p.m., Mayor pro tem Jackson declared a 10-minute recess. Meeting re-convened at 9:20.

Letter from North Torrance Civic Improvement Assoc. re heavy truck traffic on residential streets and safety problem. Discussion followed. Councilman Powell moved investigation be made by City Engineer, Street Commissioner, Assistant to City Engineer and member of Traffic Commission, and report to be made next regular meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Request from Henry W. Niles to operate a portable newstand at southwest corner of alley between Safeway and the A & P on El Prado. Councilman Haggard moved the request be granted, subject to approval by the City Attorney. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

Request from United Public Workers of America, on behalf of Torrance bus drivers, requesting a meeting to discuss working conditions. Councilman Drale moved hearing be granted and set for Tuesday, November 15th at 8:00 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilman Powell and defeated by the following roll call vote: AYES: Drale and Powell. NAYS: COUNCILMEN: Haggard and Jackson. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Sherfey. Councilmen Haggard and Jackson explained their "no" vote by stating the City Attorney had declared such a meeting not "according to hoyle" ... that the men being under civil service, the matter should properly come before the Personnel Department and City Manager, not the Council. Discussion followed, resulting in a motion by Councilman Powell that the City Manager and Personnel Officer arrange a meeting with the drivers and invite members of the Transportation Commission. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Request from Mrs. John Q. Tufts for a one-year extension of her 90-day permit to use a house trailer as sleeping quarters on her premises. Councilman Powell moved request be denied and referred to City Engineer for investigation as to building restrictions. There being no second, motion was declared lost. Councilman Haggard moved the request be denied. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Haggard, Powell and Jackson. NAYS: COUNCILMAN: Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Sherfey.

Letter from Assistant to City Engineer Patrick advising of change of ownership re Final Tract Maps Nos. 15716 and 15717 and that maps would have to be re-approved. Councilman Powell moved new owners be recognized and maps approved, there being no other changes. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Letter from Torrance Planning Commission urging acquisition of Fern Avenue Park for recreational purposes. Councilman Powell moved the matter be referred to the City Manager, due to extenuating circumstances, for report at next meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Request from North Torrance Civic Improvement Assoc. for a building in which to hold their activities. Councilman Drale moved matter be referred to Recreation Commission for recommendation. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

Letter from Mr. Chamberlain, Bus Superintendent, re free transportation for kids on National Kids Day, Nov. 19th, and recommending the free rides be restricted to the 10¢ fare zone. Discussion followed, resulting in a motion by Councilman Haggard that Mr. Chamberlain's recommendation be approved. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

Request from Mr. Zamperini to make driveway 60' wide to accommodate 6 garages on Lot 6, Block 12, Tract 4070. Discussion followed resulting in motion by Councilman Drale that the matter be referred

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to Planning Commission for recommendation. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

Request from C. T. Rippy re 40' driveway at Lot 32, Tract 639. City Manager Stevens advised that this, and the previous request, did not properly come before the Planning Commission - that only the Council could act. Councilman Powell moved the map be taken under advisement by the Council for decision at next meeting. Motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Mayor Sherfey arrived at the meeting at 9:45 p.m., but did not assume his chair, Mayor pro tem Jackson continuing to preside.

Councilman Drale moved that the previous motion and second on the request of Mr. Zamperini be rescinded. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried. Further discussion followed, Councilman Powell moving the matter be studied by the Council for report next meeting and suggesting Mr. Zamperini remain after the meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Request from Kiwanis Club for permission to have a fireworks display at the High School Football Field on November 19th. Discussion followed. Mayor pro tem Jackson declared a 5-minute recess at 10:10 while a copy of the City's Fireworks Ordinance was obtained. Meeting reconvened at 10:13 and City Attorney Smith read the section of Ordinance No. 456 which states any fireworks display must be held at the "Torrance Municipal Ball Park". In view of the restriction, the matter was automatically disposed of.

Memo from the Recreation Commission advising the program for continuing the Friday night teen-age dances would be presented to the Council after football season. Matter of record.

Clerk Bartlett read the recommendations of City Manager Stevens as follows:

PERSONNEL:

1. That Theodore Morris, having successfully passed the Civil Service examination, be appointed to serve his probationary period as Patrolman, effective November 1, 1949, and that his compensation be at the rate of \$242.00 per month.
2. That the following named personnel, having successfully passed the Civil Service examination, be appointed to serve their probationary periods as Firemen on the dates indicated and all at a compensation of \$242.00 per month:
 - a. Lawrence D. Schneider October 21, 1949.
 - b. Frank Tuttle October 22, 1949.
 - c. Samuel A. Martin October 24, 1949.
 - d. Samuel R. Dial October 25, 1949.
 - e. Clarence R. Flagg November 1, 1949.
3. That the following named Firemen, having successfully passed the Civil Service examination, be appointed to serve their probationary periods as Engineers in the Fire Department, effective November 1, 1949, and that their compensation be at the rate indicated:
 - a. Leonard V. Christian \$290.00 per month.
 - b. William L. Johnston \$277.00 per month.
 - c. Deporte J. Skidmore \$290.00 per month.
4. That the following named Engineers, having successfully passed the Civil Service examination, be appointed to serve their probationary periods as Captains in the Fire Department, effective November 16, 1949, and that their compensation be at the rate of \$318.00 per month.
 - a. N. T. Whitney.
 - b. E. K. Walker.

5. That the following named personnel, having successfully passed the Civil Service Examination, be appointed to serve their probationary periods as Tree Trimmers, effective November 1, 1949, and that their compensation be at the rate of \$231.00 per month:
 - a. Tom Mann.
 - b. Mark Fox.
6. That William C. George be temporarily employed as an Electrician, effective October 24, 1949, and that his compensation be at the rate of \$1.75 per hour.
7. That Kenneth G. Kirkruff, having successfully passed the Civil Service examination, be appointed to serve his probationary period as Lubrication and Tire Man, effective November 16, 1949, and that his compensation be at the rate of \$211.00 per month.
8. That the following named personnel be temporarily employed on a part-time basis, effective October 15, 1949, at a compensation of \$1.50 per hour, in accordance with the recommendation of the Recreation Commission:
 - a. Lyman Nolan, Supervisor of Teen-Age Canteen, Civic Auditorium.
 - b. Mr. Harvey, Supervisor of Teen-Age Canteen, Walteria.
 - c. Rex Welch, Supervisor of Gymnasium.

Councilman Powell moved the Council concur in the recommendation of City Manager Stevens. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

APPROPRIATIONS:

1. For the payment to Arnold Schleuniger, as partial payment No. 1 on North Torrance Fire Station, the sum of \$3,280.50 (from Public Improvement Funds).
2. For the purchase of two Scott Air Packs and accessories for the Fire Department, the sum of \$417.00 plus tax (a Budget Item).
3. For the purchase of playground equipment, the sum of \$695.60 (from Recreation Projects Funds).
4. That the City of Torrance enter into an Agreement with the City of Los Angeles to bear their proportionate share of the maintenance and operation costs of traffic signals on Western Avenue from 182nd Street to the south City Limits, based on an approximate estimate of \$22.00 per month for each full intersection.
5. For the purchase of traffic line paint and beads, the sum of \$800.
6. For extension of gas main on Yukon Avenue to supply North Torrance Fire Station, the sum of \$475.44. This amount will be refunded at a later date.

Councilman Powell moved the Council concur in the recommendations. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS:

1. That the bid of B. F. Goodrich Company for 1500' of 2½" hose at \$1.45 per foot and 500' of 1½" hose at 93¢ per foot, in the amount of \$2,640.00 plus tax, be accepted, in accordance with the recommendation of the Fire Chief.

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2. That the bid of the Mobile Radio Maintenance Company for maintenance of City-owned radio station and mobile units, in the amount of \$76.00 per month based on present equipment, be accepted, in accordance with the recommendation of the Police Chief.

Councilman Powell moved the recommendations be concurred in by the Council. Motion, seconded by Mayor Sherfey, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Clerk Bartlett read the following recommendations from the Torrance Planning Commission:

"Case No. 176: Petition of John E. Kettler for a Change of Zone affecting all of Tract No. 15230, located on the southeast corner of Lincoln and Border Avenues. This property is located in an M-2 (Heavy Manufacturing) Zone and petitioner requests that it be rezoned to R-1 (Single Family Residential) use.

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"It was unanimous decision of the Commission to recommend approval of this petition. It will be necessary that the City Council set a date for a third and final Public Hearing before the Council. This Hearing cannot legally be held before December 6, 1949, in order to comply with the necessary public notice requirements."

Councilman Powell moved the Council concur in the recommendation and that the Mayor set the date of Public Hearing as December 6th. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

"Case No. 177: Petition of L. B. West for the following Change of Zone: A plot 200' deep and 558' fronting on Western Avenue lying between Lincoln Avenue and Plaza del Amo, to be changed from A-1 (Light Agricultural) to M-2 (Heavy Manufacturing) use; a plot 195' deep fronting on Western Avenue a distance of 745' lying between Lincoln Avenue and 228th Street to be changed from A-1 (Light Agricultural) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing) use.

"It was the unanimous decision of the Commission to recommend approval of this petition to the Council, with the exception that the Zone in both locations be changed to M-1 instead of M-2. It will be necessary that the City Council set a date for a third and final Public Hearing before the Council. This hearing cannot legally be held before December 6, 1949, in order to comply with the necessary public notice requirements."

Councilman Drale moved the Council concur in the recommendation and that the hearing be set for December 6th. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

"TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. 14191 was presented by W. I. Hollingsworth and Company for approval. This tract is located in the unsubdivided portion of Hollywood Riviera, being bounded on the East by Via Monte D'Oro, on the North by Calle Mayor, on the West by Hollywood Palos Verdes Parkway and on the South by the city limits of the City of Torrance, and consists of approximately 355 lots. After considerable discussion, this map was recommended to the Council for approval, subject to the condition that the prospective developers define and locate the 2½ acres belonging to the City of Torrance and that same be excluded, or permission from the City Council be obtained for including same in map.

"This land is now being controlled by the Court under the Bankruptcy Act and we are asking that proof of ownership, or Court permission, be furnished the Engineering Office before submission of the Final Tract Map."

City Manager Stevens advised that Mr. Hollingsworth has given up hope of obtaining the property in question and recommended the Council defer any action on the Tentative Map. Councilman Powell moved the Council concur in Mr. Stevens' recommendation. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Also recommended by the Planning Commission were the following matters for the Council's approval:

TENTATIVE TRACT MAPS:

1. No. 12777, presented by Mr. Truman Browne, located on 182nd St., 960' East of Hawthorne Blvd., and consisting of 12 lots.
2. No. 14579, presented by Mr. Truman Browne, located on Hawthorne Blvd. approximately 660' North of 182nd St. and consisting of 48 lots.

"Mr. Browne requests that he be allowed to start construction of residences on the above two tracts before the submission of the Final Tract Maps, all in accordance with his agreements as set forth in his letters of transmittal."

Mr. Browne explained that the delay in submitting the Final Maps was due to the State Highway Department and their inability to decide where they were going to make a connecting street. His letter of things to be performed was read and discussion followed, City Manager Stevens recommending the Maps be accepted.

Councilman Drale moved the Council concur in the recommendations and that Mr. Browne be permitted to commence construction without the submission of the Final Maps. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Drale, Haggard, Sherfey and Jackson. Councilman Powell did not vote.

3. No. 15814, presented by Mr. Ben Haggott, located East of Seaside Ranchos, being a continuation of Reese Road and consisting of 40 lots.

Councilman Powell moved for concurrence with the recommendation. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously.

4. No. 13028, presented by Mr. M. Paul Gonnson, bordered by Seaside Ranchos on the South, Sepulveda Blvd. on the North and the northerly prolongation of Linda Drive on the West. This tract consists of 355 lots.

Councilman Powell moved for concurrence with the recommendation and acceptance of Tentative Map. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

SPECIAL REQUESTS:

1. Request of George Pochatco to construct a garage at 624 Sartori Ave. on the existing slab at the rear of the lot, at a distance of one foot from the side line.

Councilman Drale moved the Council concur in the recommendation. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 2014

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DEFINING CERTAIN WORDS AND PHRASES USED IN BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE NO. 483 AND DESCRIBING CERTAIN BUSINESSES LICENSED UNDER SAID ORDINANCE NO. 483, AND REGULATIONS THEREOF

and

ORDINANCE NO. 483

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSING AND CARRYING ON OF CERTAIN PROFESSIONS, TRADES, CALLINGS AND OCCUPATIONS WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 381 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith; ESTABLISHING FEES FOR BUSINESSES; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

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Discussion followed, with Mr. Bessire, of Blake, Moffitt & Towne, inquiring as to applicability to wholesalers and retailers. He was advised by the City Attorney that the Ordinance did not apply to wholesalers but did apply to retailers. Councilman Powell moved action be deferred until after a public hearing could be held. Motion, seconded by Mayor Sherfey, carried unanimously. Motion was made by Mayor Sherfey that Mayor pro tem Jackson set the hearing for Friday, November 18th, at 8:00 p.m. Motion was duly seconded and carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020

IN THE MATTER OF THE COUNTY IMPROVEMENT OF CREN-
SHAW BOULEVARD, RESOLUTION GRANTING CONSENT AND
JURISDICTION TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.

Councilman Powell moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2020. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Clerk Bartlett read correspondence pertaining to Shell Oil Company's franchise and title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, CONSENTING TO THE SALE,
TRANSFER AND ASSIGNMENT BY SHELL OIL COMPANY,
INCORPORATED, TO SHELL OIL COMPANY OF CERTAIN
PIPE LINE FRANCHISES GRANTED BY ORDINANCE NOS.
116, 121, 174, AND 328, OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
AND ORDINANCE NOS. 1356 (NEW SERIES) AND 1502
(NEW SERIES) OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.

Motion for adoption was made by Councilman Drale, seconded by Councilman Powell, and unanimously carried by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE FOR INTRODUCTION
OF ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AGREEMENTS, ETC.

Motion for adoption was made by Councilman Powell, seconded by Councilman Drale, and unanimously carried by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 480

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE CLOSING, VACATING AND ABANDONING A POR-
TION OF HIGH STREET, WALTERIA TRACT.

Councilman Drale moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Drale moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 480 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 484

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN TRAFFIC CONTROL
MEASURES PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, ORDINANCE NO. 446.

Councilman Powell moved further reading of the Ordinance be dispensed with. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Powell moved for the adoption of urgency Ordinance No. 484. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 485

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE AMENDING LAND USE ORDINANCE NO. 316,
RECLASSIFYING THAT PORTION OF THE EAST HALF OF

LOT 15, MEADOW PARK TRACT, LYING NORTH OF PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY, BEGINNING AT A POINT 331.88 FEET EAST OF OCEAN AVENUE AND EXTENDING EASTERLY A DISTANCE OF 200 FEET FROM AN A-1 (LIGHT AGRICULTURAL) ZONE TO A C-1 (RETAIL COMMERCIAL) ZONE.

Councilman Powell moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Powell moved Ordinance No. 485 be adopted at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 486

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING LAND USE ORDINANCE NO. 316, RECLASSIFYING THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. 173.

Councilman Powell moved further reading of the Ordinance be dispensed with. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Powell moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 486 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 487

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE CREATING AND ESTABLISHING THE POSITION OF "LICENSE AND TAX INSPECTOR" AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 326.

Councilman Powell moved further reading of the Ordinance be dispensed with. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Powell moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 487 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 488

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE CREATING AND ESTABLISHING THE POSITION OF "ASSISTANT TO CITY ENGINEER" IN THE CLASSIFIED SERVICE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Drale moved further reading of the Ordinance be dispensed with. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Drale moved for the adoption of urgency Ordinance No. 488 at its first and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 489

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 379 TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE AT THE 1949 SESSION.

Councilman Drale moved further reading of the Ordinance be dispensed with. Motion, seconded by Mayor Sherfey, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Drale moved for the adoption of urgency Ordinance No. 489 at its first and final reading. Motion, seconded by Mayor Sherfey, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Stevens presented a verbal request from employees of National Supply for use of the Auditorium for their annual meeting, at the usual fee, on December 3rd. Councilman Haggard moved request be granted. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

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City Attorney Smith advised the Council that the matter they had requested him to take up with the Juvenile authorities had been satisfactorily disposed of.

Councilman Drale inquired as to the Rapid Transit Service which had been proposed for the Seaside Ranchos and Hollywood Riviera Districts into Torrance and was advised by City Manager Stevens that the service was to begin in the first week of December.

Councilman Drale further urged the public to report all broken pavement, curbs, etc., to the City Engineer.

Councilman Powell moved that the City Attorney be requested to prepare a written opinion regarding the formation of civil jurisdiction in our present City Court. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Councilman Powell moved that the City Attorney be requested to prepare a contract whereby the City might legally request the Chamber of Commerce to provide advertising, etc., for the City, their compensation to be derived from the unexpended balance of money set aside for the Chamber by the Budget. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Drale, Haggard, Powell and Jackson. Mayor Sherfey did not vote.

Councilman Powell advised that though the WALTERIA sewer project had been completed, dirt had been left on the street which was becoming dangerous and asked that the City Manager attempt to have the construction company remove it.

Councilman Powell also advised that a set of plans had been received whereby a bus depot could be provided in Torrance at no more cost to the City than the present unsatisfactory arrangement, and moved that the Council take the plans under consideration and agree to a decision next meeting. Motion, seconded by Mayor Sherfey, carried unanimously.

Councilman Powell also asked that the secretary assist him in preparing a letter to the newspapers in the vicinity, to be signed by the Recreation Commission and Council, whereby enough public interest might be aroused to acquire a building for the recreation center in North Torrance.

City Manager Stevens reminded the Council of their decision as a Water Board to retain the services of Mr. Montgomery as a Consulting Engineer on the water survey. Mayor Sherfey moved the City Attorney be requested to draw up the necessary papers for such services. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Mr. Beesley and Mr. C. R. Coons, both of Neece Street in WALTERIA, advised the Council of the condition of the street as left by the sewer construction company. Lengthy discussion followed, Mr. Stevens advising that Neece would be paved as soon as weather permitted but that in the meantime the scraper would go out.

Councilman Powell read a press release from the veteran organizations of Torrance promoting better understanding of the needs and problems of former servicemen. He also read a letter from the WALTERIA Business Men's Club requesting \$150.00 toward their Christmas Party for the children. No action taken.

Mr. John Hanks reported on behalf of the Swimming Pool Committee and displayed a scale model of the proposed pool, and urged that a site be obtained as soon as possible. Mayor Sherfey thanked the Committee for their splendid work.

Councilman Drale moved all bills properly audited be paid. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

At 11:40 p.m., Councilman Drale moved that meeting be adjourned to November 18th, 1949, at 8:00 p.m. Motion, seconded by Mayor Sherfey, carried unanimously.


CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

APPROVED:


MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

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